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## **APPLICATION**

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

RE:

Substitute Unit Well Application

Miocene 6E Sand, Reservoir A Miocene Y Sand, Reservoir A

North Crowley Field Acadia Parish, Louisiana

## Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of OCEAN ENERGY, INC. for the calling of a public hearing, after ten (10) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the Miocene 6E Sand, Reservoir A, for which rules and regulations were established and a single drilling and producing unit was created by the Office of Conservation Order No. 423-T series of orders, and the Miocene Y Sand, Reservoir A, for which rules and regulations were established and drilling and producing units were created by the Office of Conservation Order No. 423-Z series of orders, both in the North Crowley Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

- 2. To provide that future substitute and alternate unit wells for MI 6E RA SUA should be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order 29-E;
- 3. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the Miocene 6E Sand, Reservoir A, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
- 4. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, to continue in effect all pertinent provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 423-T series of orders; and
- 5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

## As to the MIOCENE Y SAND, RESERVOIR A:

- 1. To permit the applicant to utilize the Ocean Energy, Inc.- Thevis #1 Well as the substitute unit well for MI-Y RA SUC at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
- 2. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the Miocene Y Sand, Reservoir A, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
- 3. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, to continue in effect all pertinent provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 423-Z series of orders; and
- 4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

Pertinent data relating to the application can be obtained, <u>AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY</u>, by contacting **W. H. Robbins & Associates**, **140 Rue Beauregard**, **Suite 100**, **Lafayette**, **Louisiana 70508**, (337)232-5004.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are two plats reflecting the location of the proposed substitute unit wells and a list of the names and addresses of the interested parties to whom this unitization proposal is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed herein is our check in the amount of \$1,510.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Yours very truly,

RÀNDALL C. SONGY

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager

Office of Conservation

cc: All Interested Owners, Represented Parties,

and Interested Parties



